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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

To the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee,

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the Health anad Sanitary Circumstances for the year ending 31st December, 1961.

The very real progress achieved throughout the year makes the presentation of the report not only an honour but a pleasure. The Stokesley Rural District is one of the most rapidly growing districts in the North East of England and is probably one of the most healthy. The birth rate continues to be above the national figure while the infantile mortality rate remains lower than the rate for England and Wales. The death rate is also lower than the rate for the country as a whole. Most sociologists agree that the infantile mortality rate is one of the best barometers of a community's standards of living — Stokesley's figures suggest that this population is an enlightened one.

There was an increase in the number of notifications of infectious disease but this was accounted for by an increase in cases of measles. Measles cases fluctuate regularly — up in number each alternate year and down in the intervening years. Tuberculosis notifications dropped from six cases in 1960 to four cases in 1961. There were no cases of diptheria or poliomyelitis.

The Health Services operated by the County Council through the Area Health Sub-Committee continued smoothly. These services include home nursing, midwifery, maternity and child welfare clinics, vaccination and immunisation, home-help and ambulance coverage. It is pleasant to record that the home-help service is growing in demand and satisfying a very real need. During the year the County Council instituted a chiropody service anad there are indications that the service will be a boon, especially to the aged who are the most easily immobilised of all the community. The figures for vaccination and immunisation speak for themselves.

The section dealing with the Sanitary Circumstances of the Rural District has been supplied by the Senior Public Health Inspector. A rapidly growing district such as Stokesley Rural must of necessity raise many problems in the attempt to keep up services, especially with no additional staff. However, in spite of the rapid increase in houses, a regular refuse collection has been maintained, while meat inspection continued at 100%, again, in spite of the constant increase in numbers inspected.

The Council must be congratulated on its energetic handling of sewage disposal schemes. The list of schemes actually in hand, approved, and in course of preparation, makes very pleasant reading. One can visualise this very necessary feature of civilised living being available to almost all within the reasonably near future.

The provision of discretionary and standard grants was continued throughout the year.

This introduction to the Annual Report would not be complete were I to fail to express my thanks to the Council for their co-operation and help at all times. I must also thank all the Officials of the Council for their assistance throughout the year and especially the members of the Public Health Department who have always given of their best.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

JAMES McGOVERN,

Medical Officer of Health.

SECTION A.

Statistical and General Conditions of the Area.

Area (in acres)	88,940
Registrar-General's Estimate of Resident Population mid-1961 ...	25,510
Average population appropriate to the calculation of death rates ...	25,510
Number of inhabited houses (end of 1961)	8,806
Rateable Value	£236,791
Sum represented by a penny rate	£900

	Total	M.	F.	
Live Births	521	267	254	Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population : 18.4
Legitimate	510	261	249	
Illegitimate	11	6	5	
Still Births	9	5	4	Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births : 16.9
Deaths	215	111	104	Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population : 10.4

Deaths from Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion — NIL

Death Rate of Infants under one year of age:	
All infants per 1,000 live births	17.1
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	19.6
Death Rate of Infants under 4 weeks of age :	
All infants per 1,000 live births	11.5
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	11.8
Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	36.

General Provision of Health Services for the Area.

(a) LABORATORY FACILITIES :

During the year the Council made use of the arrangements offered by the Public Health Laboratory at the General Hospital, Middlesbrough, in respect of diagnosis of pathological specimens.

(b) AMBULANCE COVERAGE FOR STOKESLEY & STOKESLEY AREA :

Covered by N.R.C.C. Ambulance — stationed at THORNABY : Stainton : Maltby : Hilton.

Covered by N.R.C.C. Ambulance — stationed at NORTHALLERTON: Ingleby Arncliffe: East Rounton.

Covered by N.R.C.C. Ambulance — stationed at GUISBOROUGH : Great Ayton: Stokesley: Great Broughton: Kirkby: Easby: Ingleby Greenhow: Hutton Rudby: Seamer: Bilsdale: Kildale.

(c) NURSING IN THE HOME :

The day to day administration of the Home Nursing, Health Visiting and Domicilary Midwifery Service is dealt with by the Local Health Sub-Committee. The following Nurses undertake these duties:—

Nurse Scott—Great Ayton and district.
Nurse Robinson — Hutton Rudby and Whorlton.
Nurses O'Neil, Smith and Ralph — Nunthorpe, Ormesby and Marton.
Nurses Westbrook and Morton — Stokesley and District.
Nurse Miles—Yarm and District.

TREATMENT CENTRES AND CLINICS :

The North Riding County Council Ante-Natal and Infant Welfare Clinics in the Rural District are held as follows:—

INFANT WELFARE CLINICS :

Yarm	— Wednesday weekly.
Stokesley	— 1st and 3rd Friday in each month.
Ormesby	— 2nd and 4th Monday in each month.
Great Ayton	— 1st and 3rd Thursday in each month.
Hutton Rudby	— Third Tuesday in each month.
East Rounton	— 2nd Tuesday in each month.
Nunthorpe	— Wednesday weekly.
Marton	— 1st and 3rd Monday in each month.

HEALTH VISITING :

Nurses Welch and McPartland are Health Visitors in the Nunthorpe, Ormesby and Marton areas.

ANTE-NATAL CLINICS :

Yarm	— Wednesday weekly.
Ormesby	— 2nd and 4th Monday in each month.
Stokesley	— 1st and 3rd Friday in each month.

INFANT MORTALITY :

Breakdown of this year's Infant Mortality figures :—

Deaths of Infants under 1 year:

Hydrocephalus	1
Accident	1
Congenital Heart Disease	1

Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks:

Prematurity	4
Respiratory Failure	1
Congenital Volvulus	1

Infant Mortality rates from 1934:

1934:	53.58		
1935:	38.13		
1936:	70.8		
1937:	40.98		
1938:	76.92		
1939:	61.37		
1940:	25.21		
1941:	97.46		
1942:	77.9		
1943:	38.2		
1944:	38.8		
1945:	56.6		
1946:	29.7		
1947:	24.7		
1948:	44.8		
1949:	28.2		
1950:	23.6	— under 4 weeks —	13.4
1951:	30.7	— under 4 weeks —	11.5
1952:	15.2	— under 4 weeks —	3.8
1953:	29.03	— under 4 weeks —	16.1
1954:	40.0	— under 4 weeks —	32.7
1955:	26.2	— under 4 weeks —	22.0
1956:	25.07	— under 4 weeks —	15.6
1957:	27.4	— under 4 weeks —	19.2
1958:	18.6	— under 4 weeks —	11.6
1959:	10.9	— under 4 weeks —	10.9
1960:	9.7	— under 4 weeks —	5.8
1961:	17.1	— under 4 weeks —	11.5

Prevalence of, and Control over, Infectious and other Diseases.

POLIOMYELITIS VACCINATION — 3,076

DIPTHERIA IMMUNISATION — 1,345

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING THE YEAR, 1961

Disease.	Total Cases Notified.	Cases Admitted to Hospital.	Total Deaths.
Measles ...	319	3	—
Chicken Pox ...	45	1	—
Whooping Cough ...	52	—	—
Scarlet Fever ...	6	2	—
Pneumonia ...	10	3	1
Meningococcal Infection	1	1	—
Puerperal Pyrexia ...	3	1	—
Opthalmia Neonatorum	1	—	—
Dysentery ...	1	—	—
Total ...	438	11	1

TUBERCULOSIS

New Cases during the year 1961

		Respiratory.		Non-Respiratory.	
AGE		M	F	M	F
5 years	...	—	—	1	—
24 „	...	—	1	—	—
56 „	...	1	—	—	—
71 „	...	1	—	—	—
	Total	2	1	1	—

PARISHES:

Respiratory	—	Ormesby	1
		Bilsdale	1
		Marton	1
Non-Respiratory	—	Yarm	1

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED SHOWING AGE GROUPS.

	Measles	Chicken Pox	Whooping Cough	Scarlet Fever	Pneumonia	Meningococcal Infection	Puerperal Pyrexia	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Dysentery
Total Cases Notified	319	45	52	6	10	1	3	1	1
Under 1 year ...	18	—	5	—	2	1	—	1	1
1-	17	4	6	—	—	—	—	—	—
2-	40	4	9	1	—	—	—	—	—
3-	51	3	3	1	—	—	—	—	—
4-	42	8	12	1	—	—	—	—	—
5-	139	18	17	3	1	—	—	—	—
10-	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15-	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25-	2	—	—	—	3	—	1	—	—
65 and over	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—
Age unknown ...	5	2	—	—	—	—	2	—	—

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED SHOWING PARISHES.

PARISH	Measles	Chicken Pox	Whooping Cough	Scarlet Fever	Pneumonia	Meningococcal Infection	Puerperal Pyrexia	Opthalmiai Neonatorum	Dysentery
Bilsdale	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Carlton	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Crathorne	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Easby	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
East Rounton ...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Faceby	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Great Ayton ...	75	11	1	2	—	—	1	—	—
Great and Little Broughton ...	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Great Busby ...	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hemlington ...	3	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Hilton	7	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hutton Rudby ...	42	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—
Ingleby Arncliffe ...	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Low Worsall ...	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Maltby	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Marton	28	5	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Newby	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nunthorpe	6	14	2	1	—	—	2	—	1
Ormesby	6	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Rudby	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Seamer	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sexhow	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Stainton	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Stokesley	115	—	47	—	4	—	—	1	—
Whorlton	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Yarm	6	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTALS	319	45	52	6	10	1	3	1	1

CAUSES OF DEATH IN THE STOKESLEY RURAL DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR, 1961

Causes of Death	Total	Males	Females
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	4	2	2
Malignant neoplasm, lung	6	5	1
Malignant neoplasm, breast	5	—	5
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	2	—	2
Other Malignant and Lymphatic neoplasms ...	19	10	9
Vascular lesions of nervous system	30	10	20
Coronary disease, angina	47	27	20
Hypertension with heart disease	3	1	2
Other heart disease	34	20	14
Other circulatory disease	7	5	2
Influenza	3	1	2
Pneumonia	10	6	4
Bronchitis	9	6	3
Other diseases of respiratory system	4	1	3
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	2	2	—
Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	1	—	1
Nephritis and Nephrosis	2	1	1
Hyperplasia of prostate...	1	1	—
Congenital malformations	3	1	2
Other defined and ill-defined diseases... ...	12	8	4
Motor vehicle accidents	3	1	2
All other accidents	6	2	4
Suicide	2	1	1
Totals	215	111	104

Birth-Rates, Death-Rates and Case-Rates for certain Infectious Diseases during the year, 1961

	Stokesley R.D.C.	England & Wales
	Per 1,000 Population.	
Births :		
Live	18.4	17.4
Still	0.35	18.7
	16.9 (a)	
(a) per 1,000 total (Live and Still) Births		
Deaths :		
All causes	10.4	12.0
Pneumonia	0.39	
Notifications (corrected) :		
Measles	12.5	
Chicken Pox	1.7	
Whooping Cough...	2.01	
Pneumonia	0.39	
Scarlet Fever	0.23	
Meningococcal Infection...	0.04	
Dysentery	0.04	
Opthalmia Neonatorium	0.04	
Puerperal Pyrexia	0.11	
	Per 1,000 Live Births.	
Deaths of Infants :		
All causes under one year of age	17.1	21.4
Infants under 4 weeks of age	11.5	15.5
MATERNAL MORTALITY.		
Due to abortion	—	0.07
Maternal causes, excluding abortion	—	0.27
Total maternal mortality	—	0.33

Sanitary Circumstances of the Area.

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1. (i) WATER :

The Council's Water Schemes collect water in four areas in the hills in the southern area of the district.

These are spring supply of exceptionally good quality. Due to the acidity and lack of carbonate hardness however, precautions are taken at treatment plants on each scheme to reduce the corrosive action on metals.

Water collected from Turkey Nab is stored at a reservoir at Ingleby Greenhow and coupled to a second reservoir at Carlton. This system also takes the supply from Mere Beck springs, Faceby.

Water collected from three sets of springs feed a reservoir at Harfo Bank, known as the Scugdale supply.

There is a controlled link to these two supplies between Potto village and Potto Hall and either one, or both, can feed a high level water tower (50,000 gallons capacity) at Campion Lane, Hutton Rudby.

Difficulties have been experienced in the past in maintaining the level in this tank, especially during "peak draw" periods and after drought.

This problem has been overcome however, by connecting the mains of Northallerton and District Water Board with those of Stokesley Council at West and East Rountons respectively.

This system has given a fairly satisfactory answer to a major problem and has ensured a better supply to all parts of the district.

PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS.

TEES VALLEY WATER BOARD.

PARISH	No. of Connections		
	At 31/12/60	During 1961	At 31/12/61
Great Ayton	1107	30 3 removed	1134
Hemlington	30	—	30
Maltby	60	3	63
Marton	1372	234	1606
Nunthorpe	145	1	146
Ormesby	1684	208 2 removed	1890
Stainton	170	13 1 removed	182
Stokesley	793	13 8 removed	798
Yarm	709	32	741
Newby	2	—	2
Totals	6072	534 14 removed 520	6592

STOKESLEY R.D.C.—JOINT SUPPLIES

PARISH	No. of Connections		
	At 31/12/60	During 1961	At 31/12/61
Carlton	114	—	114
Castleavington	7	—	7
Crathorne	58	1	59
Easby	18	—	18
East Rounton	20	—	20
Faceby	49	5	54
Great and Little Broughton	236	3	239
Great Busby	25	1	26
High Worsall	21	—	21
Hilton	43	—	43
Hutton Rudby	359	1	360
Ingleby Arncliffe	50	—	50
Ingleby Barwick...	27	—	27
Ingleby Greenhow	5	—	5
Kirby	98	2	100
Kirkleavington	73	3	76
Little Busby	5	—	5
Low Worsall	54	3	57
Middleton	16	1	17
Picton	44	—	44
Potto	60	—	60
Rudby	42	2	44
Sexhow	6	—	6
Skutterskelfe	2	1	3
Trenholme Bar	3	2	5
Whorlton...	166	2	168
Yarm	3	—	3
Totals	1604	27	1631

STOKESLEY R.D.C. (KILDALE).

PARISH	No. of Connections		
	At 31/12/60	During 1961	At 31/12/61
Kildale	23	—	23

TEES VALLEY WATER BOARD MAINS EXTENSION.

(Water purchased in bulk from Tees Valley Water Board and distributed through the extended mains which are the property of the Stokesley Rural District Council.)

PARISH	No. of Connections		
	At 31/12/60	During 1961	At 31/12/61
Newby	54	1	55
Seamer	96	2	98
Stokesley	10	2	12
Totals	160	5	165

PARISH.	NATURE OF SUPPLY
Bilsdale Midcable	Pumps and wells and partial piped supply of the late Feversham Estate.
part Ingleby Arncliffe and East Rounton	Private piped supply to Arncliffe.
Ingleby Greenhow	Private piped supply of Ingleby Greenhow Estate.
part Little Ayton	Pumps and wells and private piped supply.

CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF WATER

No.	Date of Sampling	ADDRESS	SUMMARY OF ANALYST'S REPORT
1.	18. 1.61	Toft Hill Farm, Kirby — tap in scullery.	Satisfactory.
2.	18. 1.61	Toft Hill Farm, Kirby — tap in byre.	Satisfactory.
3.	18. 1.61	Woodend Farm, Kildale — spring supply.	Satisfactory.
4.	15. 3.61	Cold Moor Cote, Bilsdale — spring supply, tap.	Satisfactory.
5.	10. 4.61	High House Farm, Scugdale — spring supply (open) inlet to chamber.	Satisfactory.
6.	10. 4.61	High House Farm, Scugdale — spring supply (open).	Satisfactory.
7.	10. 4.61	High House Farm, Scugdale — spring supply (open) pipe to house.	Satisfactory.
8.	11. 4.61	Low Mill Farm, Fangdale Beck — spring supply from culvert.	Satisfactory.
9.	11. 4.61	Low Mill Farm, Fangdale Beck — spring supply from culvert.	Satisfactory.
10.	19. 4.61	Low Mill Farm, Fangdale Beck — spring supply, tap in lane.	Satisfactory.
11.	19. 4.61	Low Mill Farm, Fangdale Beck — spring supply, culvert.	Satisfactory.
12.	19. 4.61	Low Mill Farm, Fangdale Beck — spring supply, culvert 2.	Satisfactory.
13.	13. 6.61	West House Farm, Kildale — spring supply, tap	Unsatisfactory.
14.	13. 6.61	West House Farm, Kildale — spring supply, spring head.	Unsatisfactory.
15.	13. 6.61	No. 1 Agricola Cottages, Kildale — Stokesley R.D.C. supply.	Satisfactory.
16.	18. 7.61	West House Farm, Kildale — spring supply, tap in house.	Satisfactory.
17.	18. 7.61	West House Farm, Kildale — spring supply — chamber.	Satisfactory.
18.	19. 7.61	1 Belbrough, Hutton Rudby — Stokesley R.D.C. mixed supplies.	Satisfactory.
19.	19. 7.61	No. 2 Agricola Cottages, Swainby — Stokesley R.D.C. Scugdale supply.	Satisfactory.

CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF WATER

No.	Date of Sampling	ADDRESS	SUMMARY OF ANALYST'S REPORT
20.	19. 7.61	29 Faceby Road, Carlton — Stokesley R.D.C. supply.	Satisfactory.
21.	19. 7.61	2 Roseworth, Great Broughton —Stokesley R.D.C. Turkey Nab supply.	Satisfactory.
22.	19. 7.61	26 Whinstone View, Great Ayton — T.V.W.B. supply.	Satisfactory.
23.	1. 8.61	Thrift Cottage, Whorlton — well supply, from well.	Unsatisfactory.
24.	1. 8.61	Thrift Cottage, Whorlton — well supply, from house.	Unsatisfactory.
25.	22. 8.61	Thrift Cottage, Whorlton — well supply through filter.	Satisfactory.
26.	22. 8.61	33 Faceby Road, Carlton — Stokesley R.D.C., tap in house.	Satisfactory.
27.	22. 8.61	Slaughterhouse, Ingleby Cross — tap in slaughterhall (Sir H. Bell).	Unsatisfactory.
28.	3.10.61	No. 2 Agricola Cottages, Swainby — Stokesley R.D.C. Scugdale supply.	Satisfactory.
29.	3.10.61	32 Faceby Road, Carlton — Stokesley R.D.C. Carlton supply.	Satisfactory.
30.	3.10.61	Black Horse Hotel, Great Broughton — Stokesley R.D.C. Turkey Nab supply.	Satisfactory.
31.	3.10.61	26 Whinstone View, Great Ayton — T.V.W.B. supply.	Satisfactory.
32.	23.10.61	High Breckon Hill Farm, Bilsdale — spring supply, tap in house.	Unsatisfactory.
33.	23.10.61	High Breckon Hill Farm, Bilsdale — spring supply, collecting chamber.	Unsatisfactory.
34.	23.10.61	High Breckon Hill Farm, Bilsdale — spring supply, spring head.	Unsatisfactory.
35.	15.11.61	Cow Helm, Bilsdale — spring supply, (open) tap.	Unsatisfactory.
36.	15.11.61	High Breckon Hill Farm, Bilsdale — spring supply, tap.	Satisfactory.
37.	15.11.61	Gribdale Terrace, Great Ayton — spring supply, tap from tank.	Suspicious.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

Sewage Disposal Works are in operation in Parishes as detailed below :—

POSITION OF WORKS.	AREA SERVED.
Gipsy Lane, Marton.	Part of Parishes of Marton, Nunthorpe and Ormesby
Tollesby Lane, Marton.	Part of Parish of Marton.
Great Ayton.	Parish of Great Ayton.
Great Busby.	Village of Great Busby.
Kirkleavington.	Village of Kirkleavington.
Stokesley.	Town of Stokesley.
Yarm.	Worsall Road area and Council Housing Estate.
Maltby.	Stainton and Maltby.
Low Worsall.	Village of Low Worsall.

GIPSY LANE AND TOLLESBY SEWAGE WORKS (serving parts of Nunthorpe and Marton).

Negotiations to divert the sewage from the above works into Middlesbrough County Borough sewerage system and abandon the works, continued throughout the year and it is expected that tenders will be invited early in 1962.

GREAT BROUGHTON AND KIRKBY.

This scheme was approved by the Council and the Ministry and tenders accepted in November. Work is expected to commence early next year.

CARLTON.

Scheme approved, tenders invited in December. Work expected to commence early next year.

KIRKLEAVINGTON, IMPROVEMENT AND EXTENSION.

Scheme designed by the Council's Engineer and Surveyor approved by Council in October and submitted to the Ministry.

NUNTHORPE VILLAGE AND POOLE HOSPITAL.

Scheme designed by the Council's Engineer and Surveyor submitted to Council. Negotiations taking place with Hospital authorities and the Ministry.

NEWBY.

A scheme designed by the Council's Engineer and Surveyor was approved and a tender accepted in November. Work due to commence early next year.

INGLEBY ARNCLIFFE.

A scheme designed by the Council's Engineer and Surveyor was approved and a tender accepted in November. Work due to commence early next year.

HUTTON RUDBY.

The Council's Consultant Engineers expect to submit proposals for this scheme in January next year.

PICTON.

Scheme designed by the Council's Engineer and Surveyor was approved and tenders will be invited in January next.

POTTO.

Scheme designed by the Council's Engineer and Surveyor was approved by the Council but as this system will be linked to that for Swainby Village, the proposals have not yet been submitted to the Ministry.

SWAINBY.

The Council's Consultant Engineers are preparing a scheme for this Village and hope to submit it early next year.

FACEBY.

The Council's Engineer and Surveyor is preparing a scheme for this Village.

STOKESLEY AND MEADOWFIELD AREA.

The sewer to serve eight existing properties and new bungalows was installed during the year but the delay in delivery of the underground pump and spare parts made it impossible to complete this scheme during the year. It is expected to be completed early next year.

YARM.

Work on the new sewerage system for Yarm commenced in July and is proceeding very satisfactorily.

GREAT AYTON EXTENSIONS.

The Council's Consultant Engineers are proceeding with these proposals.

(iii) CLOSET ACCOMMODATION :

The Council continued to pay grants of up to £10 towards the cost of conversion to W.C. and received ten applicataions during the year :—

PARISH		No.
Great Ayton	...	2
Kirkleavington	...	1
Potto	...	1
Hutton Rudby	...	1
Sexhow	...	1
Low Worsall	...	1
Stokesley	...	3
Total	...	10

PUBLIC CLEANSING.

The Council continued to undertake the collection of household refuse and normally maintain a weekly collection, except for remote isolated properties, particularly farms. Several of these are collected fortnightly or "on request".

For this collection, four vehicles are operated (a fifth being held in reserve) and a staff of twenty one men employed. Three of the vehicles are diesel engined 18 cubic yard fore and aft tipping models and the other two (including the spare) are petrol driven 10 cubic yard side loading vehicles. Twenty of the staff are requried for normal collection of refuse and the extra "loader" is employed as a replacement for absentees.

The advantage gained during 1961 by the purchase of another large vehicle and one extra man, made it possible to continue collection with only four vehicles and reduce overtime, even though over five hundred new houses were completed during the year.

DISPOSAL.

The Council lease two quarries as refuse tips, one at Seamer and the other at Rye Hill. Great Ayton. During this year all disposal has been done at Great Ayton. A Bristol Duplex crawler tractor is used by a full time tip attendant for tip control and a Ferguson tractor is available for road maintenance.

TRADE REFUSE COLLECTION.

The Council do not undertake the collection of trade refuse but allow traders to dispose of their waste on the Council's tip.

SANITARY INSPECTIONS OF THE AREA

SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS :

Complaints, including revisits	73
Housing Acts, including revisits	289
Infectious Diseases, including revisits	28
Disinfestations	6
Milk Supplies	2
Water Supplies	57
Water Samples	37
Meat Inspections	1352
Slaughterhouses (for purposes other than meat inspection)	15
Other Foods	58
Factories and Workshops	32
Sewage Disposal Works	7
Sewers and Drains	65
Privy Conversions (including revisits)	32
Refuse Collection	324
Petroleum Storage	21
Moveable Dwellings	67
Public Conveniences	131
Rodent Control (including visits by Rodent Officer) ...	652
Rent Act	1

SLUM CLEARANCE PROGRAMME

Year	Closing Orders	Demolition Orders	Undertakings accepted
1955		4	
1956	2	5	
1957	26	1	
1958	43	8	2
1959	23	4	1
1960	41	—	—
1961	2	—	—

Twenty four tenants of the occupied houses included above were rehoused during the year.

SECTION 7.

GRANTS FOR THE CONVERSION OR IMPROVEMENT OF HOUSING ACCOMMODATION

Section 30, Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1958

	Formal applications RECEIVED during year	APPLICATIONS APPROVED during year		
	Number of Dwellings	Number of Dwellings		Amount of grant which the Council have decided to pay £
(a) CONVERSIONS (The number of dwellings is the number resulting from the completion of the work)	4	Owner-occupied dwellings	1	673
		Other dwellings	3	
			4	
(b) IMPROVEMENTS	7	Owner-occupied dwellings	1	974
		Other dwellings	5	

SECTION 8.

STANDARD GRANTS FOR IMPROVEMENT OF DWELLINGS — HOUSE PURCHASE AND HOUSING ACT, 1959

	Formal Applications RECEIVED during year	Applications APPROVED during year	
(a) APPLICATIONS	48	Owner-occupied	25
		Other	22

(b) GRANTS PAID during year, i.e., after completion of the work	No. of dwellings conc'd.	Total Amount £	Number of Amenities Provided				
			Fixed Bath or Showers	Wash Basins	Hot Water Supply	W.C's.	Food Storage Facilities
	49	4979	42	40	39	47	22

Houses erected by Stokesley Rural District since the war are detailed below :—

Parish	Erected
Stokesley	212
Great Ayton...	260
Ormesby	120
Stainton	30
Nunthorpe Station	84
Nunthorpe Village	6
Marton	11
Newby	4
Seamer	6
Breat Broughton	16
Carlton	10
Swainby	6
Hutton Rudby	34
Rudby	2
Kildale	2
Hilton	4
Ingleby Greenhow	2
Yarm	162
Maltby	3
Low Worsall...	4
Total ...	978

PLANS :

560 plans have been considered during the twelve months, details are given below :—

PARISH	New Buildings	Estate Development	Alterations	Garages	Agricultural Buildings	Others	Total
Bilsdale	—	—	1	1	3	—	5
Castleavington	—	—	—	—	2	—	2
Crathorne	—	—	—	1	1	—	2
Easby	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
East Rounton	—	—	—	—	2	—	2
Faceby	4	—	—	—	—	—	4
Great Ayton	14	1	24	18	4	1	62
Great and Little Broughton ...	6	1	8	1	2	3	21
Great Busby	—	—	2	—	1	—	3
Hemlington	1	—	—	—	2	1	4
High Worsall	1	—	1	1	1	—	4
Hilton	—	—	—	1	1	—	2
Hutton Rudby	3	—	4	3	2	—	12
Ingleby Arncliffe	1	—	2	—	1	—	4
Ingleby Barwick	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Ingleby Greenhow	—	—	3	1	—	—	4
Kildale	—	—	—	1	1	—	2
Kirby	4	1	3	2	2	—	12
Kirkleavington	8	—	4	1	1	2	16
Little Ayton	—	—	4	—	2	—	6
Low Worsall	1	—	4	—	—	—	5
Maltby	—	2	2	1	1	—	6
Marton	15	10	21	88	—	3	137
Newby	1	—	3	—	2	—	6
Nunthorpe	2	—	3	3	—	—	8
Ormesby	24	4	19	58	—	6	111
Potto	1	—	4	1	1	—	7
Rudby	3	—	—	1	—	—	4
Seamer	1	—	1	1	1	1	5
Sexhow	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Skutterskelfe	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Stainton	9	—	5	3	2	3	22
Stokesley	7	3	15	5	4	3	37
Whorlton	2	—	9	4	—	—	15
Yarm	2	1	14	4	1	4	26
Totals ...	110	23	158	200	42	27	560

(viii) FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS:

PREMISES	M/c Line No.	Number on Register	Number of			M/c Line No.
			Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers prosecuted	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by L. Authorities.	1	26	32	Nil	Nil	1
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the L. A.	2	57				2
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the L. A. (excluding out-workers' premises.)	3	11				3
TOTAL		94	32	Nil	Nil	

Details of visits, inspections and condemnations are as under :—

DETAILS OF ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED.

Period	Steers	Heifers	Cows & Bulls	Calves	Sheep & Lambs	Rams & Ewes	Pigs	Sows & Boars
1 Jan.—4 Feb. ...	239	131	62	19	1498	65	356	10
5 Feb.—4 Mar. ...	166	121	41	11	1083	21	316	4
5 Mar.—1 Apr. ...	190	93	41	15	884	8	313	3
2 Apr.—6 May ...	254	127	48	10	1254	27	348	4
7 May—3 June ...	200	102	29	9	1030	27	232	7
4 June—1 July ...	187	108	25	4	1100	17	163	5
2 July—5 Aug. ...	263	127	18	14	1786	36	217	6
6 Aug.—2 Sept. ...	223	99	15	5	1499	16	164	3
3 Sept.—30 Sept. ...	191	133	43	12	1718	54	221	2
1 Oct.—4 Nov. ...	237	177	55	28	2049	53	375	12
5 Nov.—2 Dec. ...	192	144	47	6	1550	38	340	8
3 Dec.—31 Dec. ...	181	85	32	6	914	29	722	9
Totals ...	2523	1447	456	139	16365	391	3767	73

Appendix.

Carcases and offal inspected and condemned in whole or in part.

	Cattle Excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed and inspected	3970	456	139	16756	3840	—
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci						
Whole carcases condemned	1	9	5	10	5	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	95	30	1	146	115	—
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	2.418	8.553	4.317	0.925	3.125	—
Tuberculosis only :						
Whole carcases condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	2	—	—	—	31	—
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	0.050	—	—	—	0.807	—
Cysticercosis						
Whole carcase condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cysticercosis						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	7	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases submitted for treatment	1	—	—	—	—	—

SLAUGHTERHOUSES :

The Council continued to lease the six slaughterhouses (one at each of the following — Stokesley, Great Ayton, Ingleby Greenhow, Hutton Rudby, Ingleby Arncliffe and Marton) and operated them as public slaughterhouses.

The minor improvements, mentioned in last year's report, were carried out and the premises were approved by the Divisional Veterinary Officer for the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

In spite of the continued increase in the number of animals slaughtered, these six premises proved more than adequate.

MEAT INSPECTION :

The continued complete co-operation of the slaughterhouse owners and the butchers in the area, with my department, is very gratifying and, although meat inspection still involves duties outside office hours and particularly on Bank Holidays, this co-operation makes it possible to maintain 100% inspections throughout the area.

The number of animals slaughtered and inspected since 1954 are as follows :—

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Pigs	Total
1954 (6 months)	1354	259	4555	1625	7793
1955	2788	236	7887	2930	13841
1956	3312	213	9626	2416	15567
1957	3744	227	9898	3011	16880
1958	3934	146	11702	3347	19129
1959	3585	139	15561	3473	22758
1960	3968	182	14594	3825	22569
1961	4426	139	16756	3840	25161

BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS :

Stokesley Rural area was included in a Tuberculosis eradication area in March 1960 and the whole of the County, from October of that year.

Since then, the reduction in the number of cattle inspected, which were affected with tuberculosis, is amazing.

The following figures show this reduction :—

		Average percentage affected	
		Steers and Heifers	**Cows**
1955-1959	...	1.86%	8.9%
1960 ...	...	.698%	.63%
1961 ...	...	.050%	0

The percentage of steers and heifers affected resulted from two heads found to have calcified lesions in the retropharengeal glands.

OTHER FOODS :

Inspections of food premises have been carried out whenever possible, but regular routine inspection was impossible with the existing staff. No complaints regarding lack of hygiene have been received during the year.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955, SECTION 16 :

During the year, one licence was issued to retail ice cream. The premises were inspected and the condition of the licence was that the ice cream be prepared and sold from an approved refrigerated cabinet.

There is one registered manufacturer in the area.

LICENSED PREMISES :

There are 55 licensed premises in the area, most of them completely satisfactory, with washing facilities and the necessary sanitary accommodation for both tenants and visitors. When sewerage schemes are completed, every effort will be made to ensure that all licensed premises are brought up to standard.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949.

	Local Authority	Dwelling Houses (including Council Houses)	All other (including business premises)	Totals of Cols. 1, 2 and 3.	Agricultural
Number of properties in local authority's district ...	22	7557	745	8324	750
Number of properties inspected as a result of notifications ...	2	106	8	116	15
Number of such properties found to be infested by:					
Rats—Major	—	—	2	2	3
—Minor	2	86	3	91	—
Mice—Major	—	3	3	6	4
—Minor	—	9	—	9	7
Total number of properties inspected in the course of survey under the Act ...	20	132	138	290	160
Number of such properties found to be infested by:					
Rats—Major	—	—	2	2	3
—Minor	2	96	3	101	6
Mice—Major	—	3	3	6	4
—Minor	—	11	2	13	7
Number of infested properties treated	4	110	10	122	3